



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 5
77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60604

DATE: JUN 04 2019

SUBJECT: CLEAN AIR ACT INSPECTION REPORT
CW Metals, Monticello, Minnesota

FROM: Shilpa Patel, Environmental Engineer
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THRU: Dakota Prentice, Acting Section Chief
AECAB (MN/OH)

TO: File

BASIC INFORMATION

Facility Name: CW Metals

Facility Location: 9696 Falcon Avenue, Monticello, Minnesota 55303

Date of Inspection: 5/2/19

EPA Inspectors:

1. Shilpa Patel, Environmental Engineer
2. Scott Connolly, Environmental Engineer

Other Attendees:

1. Neil Byce, Vice President

Contact Email Address: neil@cwmetals.com

Purpose of Inspection: To determine compliance with the Clean Air Act

Facility Type: Metal recycling yard

Regulations Central to Inspection: 40 C.F.R. Part 82, Subpart F: Recycling and Emissions Reduction

Arrival Time: 10:15 AM
Departure Time: 10:47 AM

Inspection Type:

- ☒ Unannounced Inspection
- ☐ Announced Inspection

OPENING CONFERENCE

- ☒ Credentials Presented
- ☒ CBI warning to facility provided

The following information was obtained verbally from Neil Byce unless otherwise noted.

Process Description:

CW Metals accepts ferrous and non-ferrous metals for recycling from the general public and industrial suppliers. The facility accepts cars and refrigeration components. The facility sorts light iron, aluminum, copper scrap, and other metals into piles of like material. Sorted metals are loaded onto trucks for transport to a metal shredding or non-ferrous metal recycling facility.

Staff Interview: Facility staff stated that it does not accept appliances. The facility will only accept cars if they have been processed prior to arrival at the facility. However, the facility rarely receives cars and does not have vehicle processing on site. No refrigerant recovery is performed on site. The facility does not require documentation of the fate of refrigerant in items delivered for recycling that previously contained refrigerant.

TOUR INFORMATION

EPA toured the facility: Yes

Data Collected and Observations:

EPA toured the facility and saw a bin of sealed units/compressors some of which were from refrigerators.

Photos: were not taken during the inspection.

Field Measurements: were not taken during this inspection.

CLOSING CONFERENCE

Compliance Assistance: We gave an overview of the regulatory requirements and compliance options in 40 C.F.R. Part 82, Subpart F, and answered preliminary questions about the requirements and how a refrigerant recovery program might work in practice.

Concerns: We discussed the need to put a program in place to either recover refrigerant from cars or to verify the refrigerant's proper recovery prior to delivery to CW Metals.

SIGNATURES

Report Author: Shelba Patel Date: 6/4/19

Section Chief: [Signature] Date: 6/4/19